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PRAIRIE DOGS - SGS-566-94

Ref: L. W. Carlson Itr., Fish and Wildlife Service, to M. N. Silverman, September 2, 1994

Action: Contact W. S. Busby or P. J. Laurin if in disagreement with letter's intent.

Pursuant to the above referenced letter we are discontinuing mowing operations in Operable Unit 2 (OU 2). The United States Air Force performs moving operations around the radio tower. They will be requested to stop moving operations or reduce the amount of moving.

Regarding the recommended extermination of the prairie dogs, a letter to Mark N. Silverman, from LeRoy W. Carlson of the Fish and Wildlife Service, dated September 2, 1994, discourages destroying the prairie dogs or their habitat. This letter was received subsequent to our recommendation that was dated August 31, 1994.

We will capture and relocate the four or five prairie dogs that remain in OU 2 to a suitable area outside of OU 2. Trapping operations will begin by November 1, 1994. The length of time required to relocate all the prairie dogs is estimated to be two weeks.

If you are in disagreement with this action please let me know or contact Pete Laurin at extension 8702. Marcia Murdock at extension 3560 will be pleased to answer any ecological questions.

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